Annual Distinction in Performance Award

Each year, the Department will identify school districts that qualify for an Annual Distinction in Performance Award. To qualify for this award in 2001-2002, K-12 districts and K-8 <u>districts must meet all but one of the Performance measures</u> (after excluding the Step 1 measure), according to the most recent Annual Performance Report (APR). <u>In 2002-2003 and each year thereafter</u>, all MAP performance standards must also be met for districts (K-12 and K-8) to <u>qualify for the Annual Distinction in Performance Award</u>. The decision to grant the Annual Distinction in Performance Award will be based solely on the Department-published APR, using the data described in the Procedures Handbook in the section "Performance Report (Developed by MSIP Section)" (pages 5-7). These awards will be granted each year unless, in the judgment of the Commissioner, a district is found to be seriously out of compliance with Missouri law.